

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68446

Akihiro HASHIGUCHI

Appln. No.: 10/067,294

Group Art Unit: 2851

Confirmation No.: 7908

Examiner: Peter B. KIM

Filed: February 07, 2002

For: HEAT DEVELOPING APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one (1) month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of July 25, 2003 to November 25, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$110.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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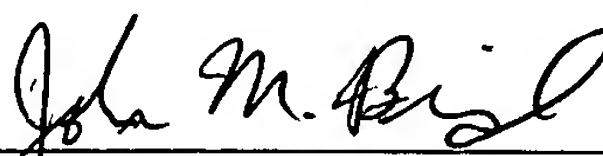
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Respectfully submitted,



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